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Facilities Engineering HUNTING, FISHING, TRAPPING AND CAMPING

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- **1. PURPOSE.** This regulation sets forth laws, restrictions and procedures for hunting, fishing, trapping and other outdoor recreational activities on Fort Drum Military Reservation.
- **2. APPLICABILITY.** This regulation applies to all persons, military and civilian, who engage in outdoor recreational activities on Fort Drum.

3. OBJECTIVES.

- a. Facilitate the military mission.
- b. Utilize Fort Drum's natural resources in a responsible manner.
- c. Conduct all recreational activities safely.
- d. Protect government and personal property.

4. PERMITS AND ACCESS PASSES.

- a. Recreational Permit and Access Pass. In order to provide safe and compatible usage of Fort Drum Military Reservation, ALL persons utilizing Fort Drum for recreational use (including but not limited to hunting, fishing, trapping, camping, berry and mushroom picking, picnicking, hiking, cross country skiing, photography, biking, horseback riding, and snowmobiling) must possess a valid Fort Drum Recreational Permit and Access Pass. Permits are valid beginning October 1 and expiring the following September 30. In the cantonment area, a Recreational Permit is required only for hunting and fishing. A permit is not required to recreate in Mud Lake if access is gained via Lake Bonaparte. If the recreationist does not remain in the boat and sets foot on Fort Drum, a Fort Drum Recreational Permit and Access Pass is required.
- b. Nighttime Fishing/Overnight Camping Access Pass. In addition to obtaining a Fort Drum Recreational Permit and Access Pass, those recreationists engaged in nighttime fishing and/or overnight camping activities must check in at Range Division and obtain a **Nighttime Fishing/Overnight Camping Access Pass**. See paragraph 5(c) for check-in procedures and obtaining a Nighttime Fishing/Overnight Camping Access Pass.
- c. Permit Fees. All persons hunting, fishing or trapping on Fort Drum must obtain the appropriate permit(s) in accordance with the Fort Drum Permit Fee Schedule at Appendix C. The Fee Schedule is effective October 1 through September 30 of the following year. Fees will not be prorated. The fees collected from the sale of hunting, fishing and trapping permits are used on the installation for the protection, conservation and management of all fish and wildlife.

- d. Free Permits. There is no fee for Recreational permits for outdoor activities not involving hunting, fishing, and trapping. A Fort Drum Recreational Permit and Access Pass for hunting, fishing, and trapping shall be issued without charge to individuals that meet the requirements specified and with the proper identification:
 - (1) Persons 70 years of age and older.
 - (2) Persons 15 years of age and younger.
 - (3) Handicapped and disabled (minimum 40% Rating Decision in VA Award Letter).
- (4) Native Americans serving on active duty and stationed at Fort Drum with a Native American identification card issued to them by their respective Indian Nation.
- e. Fort Drum Recreational Permits and Access Passes are available to all persons at the Natural Resources Permit Office in Bldg. S-2509. A photo ID is required. **Recreational Permits and Access Passes are not available at the Outdoor Recreation Center or Range Division.** The operating hours of the Permit Office for September 2 November 1: Tuesday Friday 11:00am 6:00pm and Saturday 8:00am 3:00pm; for November 5 November 29: Wednesday Friday, 11:00am 6:00pm and Saturday 8:00am 12:00pm; for December 6 March 20: Saturday 8:00am 12:00pm; and for March 25 August 28: Thursday Friday, 11:00pm 6:00pm and Saturday 9:00am 1:00pm.
- *f.* Fort Drum Recreational Permits and Access Passes will be issued only to persons who have completed a release and hold harmless agreement.
- *g.* All persons must have their valid Fort Drum Recreational Permit in their possession while engaged in any recreational activity on the installation, and must produce it upon demand to any Law Enforcement Officer, or individual who provides identification as an official of Fort Drum.
 - h. Fort Drum Recreational Permits are non-transferrable.
- *i.* Upon entry into a training area, the Fort Drum Recreational Access Pass for every person in the vehicle must at all times be clearly displayed with the permit numbers facing up, on the vehicle dashboard or windshield.
- *j.* By entering Fort Drum Military Reservation, individuals have consented to the search of their person or vehicles by law enforcement personnel, and the confiscation of all evidence of unauthorized activities.
- *k*. Possession of a Fort Drum Recreational Permit and Access Pass does not give approval to enter training areas without following appropriate check in procedures, in accordance with paragraph 5.

5. CHECK IN/CHECK OUT PROCEDURES.

- a. Recreational Permits and Access Passes must be obtained prior to check in. See paragraph 4 for permit and access pass information.
 - b. Recreational users must check in daily telephonically with Range Division, Bldg. P-4855,

by calling the **Sportsmen's Hotline (772-7153)** and leaving their permit numbers prior to entering the Fort Drum training areas. The Sportsmen's Hotline is updated approximately 6:00pm listing the training areas that are open the following day. Upon leaving their permit numbers, recreational users may access any training area that is open for recreation that day. Failure to comply with check in procedures is grounds for terminating the individual's permit and access to Fort Drum for recreation. Check-out is not required for daily recreationists.

- c. Recreationists engaged in camping or nighttime fishing activities in the Fort Drum training areas are required to check in and check out telephonically (772-7152) or in-person at Range Division, Bldg. P-4855, and obtain a Fort Drum Nighttime Fishing/Overnight Camping Pass. Persons unable to access the cantonment area and Range Division, may check in by telephone and pick up the pass at a later time at the Natural Resources Permit office (S-2509) during normal operating hours. The fishing/camping location must be specified and Range Division will determine an entry/exit route to the location. Additional information required includes the duration of camping and the names of all persons involved. The Fort Drum Nighttime Fishing/Overnight Camping Pass must be displayed in clear sight on the dashboard of every vehicle involved with fishing/camping activities. Recreationists with a Fort Drum Nighttime Fishing/Overnight Camping Pass are the only recreational users authorized to be in the Fort Drum training areas from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise, and may use headlights while traveling on roads and trails although travel should be minimized during hours of darkness to reduce conflict with military operations.
- d. A Joint Access Policy exists on Fort Drum for fishing and trapping activities to allow anglers/trappers the ability to utilize training areas when military training is occurring as long as activities do not interfere with military operations. When using the Joint Access Policy, anglers/trappers must check-in with Range Division telephonically (772-7152) or physically (Bldg. P-4855) to speak to Range Division personnel.
- e. For check-in/check-out requirements for archery hunting in the Cantonment Area, see paragraph 12(e).

6. GENERAL INFORMATION AND RESTRICTIONS.

- a. Hunting, fishing, trapping and recreational use of Fort Drum will be in accordance with Environmental Conservation Laws of New York, this regulation and applicable federal laws and supplemental orders issued by the Commander, 10th Mountain Division (LI), Fort Drum. Any supplemental order will be posted at buildings P-4855, T-4848, S-2509 and P-11115, and will be brought to the attention of persons applying for a recreational permit.
 - b. Failure to comply with lawful orders, posted signs, or written notices is illegal.
 - c. Violation of this regulation may result in the loss of recreational privileges on Fort Drum.
- *d.* All observed violations of Federal, State or Fort Drum Regulations or Laws must be reported to the Military Police, 772-5156 or 772-5157.
 - e. Persons observing wildland fires and/or unexploded munitions must notify both Range

Division, Bldg. P-4855 (telephone number 772-7152) and the Military Police, Bldg. P-10715 (telephone numbers 772-5156 or 772-5157). Munitions must not be handled or removed from their locations.

- *f.* Accidents and lost persons must be immediately reported to Range Division at 772-7152, and the Military Police at 772-5156 or 772-5157.
- g. No person shall discard, bury or dispose of any trash, waste or litter on Fort Drum. Trash receptacles are not provided (except at Remington Park). Recreationists must carry out everything that is carried in. Entrails are biodegradable and do not constitute litter unless placed in such a manner to create a nuisance.
- h. Bonfires are prohibited. Small fires for cooking and warming are allowed. No fire shall be lit until all combustible materials surrounding it have been removed to the extent necessary. No fire shall be left unattended.
- *i.* No person shall injure, deface or disturb any part of a building, range structure, sign, equipment or property found on Fort Drum.
- *j*. The collection of any artifact (such as old bottles, coins, etc.), disturbance of any feature related to past human activity, and the collection of paleontological specimens on Fort Drum is prohibited. The use of metal detectors on Fort Drum is strictly prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted under both the civil and criminal provisions of the Archeological Resources Protection Act, 16 USC Sections 470ee-470ff.
- *k*. Unauthorized excavation or digging of any kind is prohibited including digging for plants such as ginseng and wild leeks.
- *I.* Cutting, digging up, removing, or defacing of trees, branches or any live vegetation, other than berries, for any purpose whatsoever, is prohibited.
 - m. Feeding of any wildlife is prohibited.
 - n. Harassing or molesting any wildlife or taking of any nongame species is prohibited.
- o. Picking up, disturbing or taking Government equipment, ordnance, munitions or parts of the same is prohibited.
 - p. Disturbing or molesting the traps and/or trapped animals of trappers is prohibited.
- *q.* Persons hunting, fishing or trapping on Fort Drum are required to complete and return all surveys they receive from the Fish and Wildlife Management Program, Natural Resources Branch, Environmental Division.

7. RESTRICTED AREAS AND TIMES.

- a. Fort Drum Military Reservation, and any part thereof, may be closed without notice at the discretion of the Installation Commander when deemed necessary. Recreational use of the installation is secondary to requirements of the military mission.
- b. Areas permanently closed to recreational use are posted with New York State yellow and green (Restricted Area) signs.
 - c. Recreationists are prohibited from entering environmental or archeological sensitive

areas marked with Off-Limits By Order of the Commander signs or Seibert Stakes, either on foot or with motor vehicles. Seibert Stakes (a.k.a. Siber Stakes) consist of a 16 inch piece of PVC pipe with alternating rings of white, red, and yellow reflective tape mounted on a metal post approximately 4 feet above the ground. A black strip runs down the backside of each Seibert Stake. If this is visible, the recreationist is within a sensitive area and must leave immediately.

- d. The Main Impact Area is off limits to all recreationists.
- e. Observations Points (OPs) and permanent structures on ranges are off limits to all recreationists.
- *f.* The Black River that borders Fort Drum is off limits for all recreational activity except fishing from the banks.
- *g.* That part of the Indian River adjacent to the Main Impact Area is off limits to all recreational activities. Fishing and boating is permitted in those parts of the Indian River that are not adjacent to the Main Impact Area.
 - h. TA 5E, 14G and 20 are off limits at all times to recreationists.
- *i.* Training areas 4A, 4B, 4D, 5A, 5D, 6B and 6C, reference Appendix E, Fort Drum Recreational Use Map, are open for **archery hunting only**. Possession of firearms is prohibited. Fishing, trapping and other recreational activities are permitted. Recreationists using training areas 4A, 4B, 4D, 5A, 5D, 6B and 6C must follow normal check in procedures stated in paragraph 5 of this document. These training areas are not part of Fort Drum's Cantonment Archery Hunt and are open for recreation when military training is not being conducted.
- *j.* Force protection considerations require limiting access to the cantonment area to those persons possessing one of the following:
 - (1) Military I.D.
 - (2) Military Dependent I.D.
 - (3) Civilian Department of Defense I.D.
 - (4) Retired Military I.D.

Persons without one of the identification cards in 7(j)(1-4) are not permitted to hunt in the cantonment area.

- *k.* Entry into Fort Drum training areas may begin one hour before sunrise. Exit of all training areas must be no later than one hour after sunset. Persons requesting to remain or enter Fort Drum training areas during hours of darkness, or to enter either permanent or temporarily off limits areas for wounded game, lawfully taken big game, lost hunters, etc., must be accompanied by personnel from Range Division (772-7152), and/or the Military Police, (772-5156/5157). Recreationists participating in nighttime fishing or overnight camping activities are the only recreational users authorized to be in the Fort Drum training areas from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise, in accordance with paragraph 5(b).
- *I.* Scouting of training areas prior to the hunting season is permitted but hunters must obtain a Fort Drum Recreational Permit and Access Pass and follow check in procedures stated in paragraph 4 and 5 of this document.

8. ROADS AND MOTOR VEHICLE REGULATIONS

- a. It is unlawful to consume alcohol or other drugs, or be under the influence of the same, while operating a motor vehicle or boat.
- b. Vehicles shall not be operated on roadways (improved light duty roads, unimproved dirt roads, or trails) within the boundaries of block/subsidiary training areas unless identified as a recreational road. Recreational roads, public roads, block training areas, and subsidiary training areas are designated on the Fort Drum Recreational Use Map (Appendix E).
- c. Vehicle Parking. Vehicle parking is restricted to the border of block/subsidiary training areas on improved light duty roads, unimproved dirt roads, hard surfaces, and recreational roads. Within block/subsidiary training areas, vehicle parking is restricted to recreational roads. All vehicles must be parked in such a manner as to be clearly seen from the roadway and allow other vehicles safe passage. Recreational roads and block/subsidiary training areas are designated on the Fort Drum Recreational Use Map found at Appendix E).
- *d.* Speed limit on Fort Drum roads/tank trails is 25mph during daylight hours and 10mph during hours of darkness.
- e. Use of snowmobiles, trail bikes, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) or motorized vehicles for recreational purposes is prohibited except for the following:
 - (1) Recreational use of snowmobiles in training areas 7E, 7F and 7G on designated trails.
 - (2) Use of ATVS and snowmobiles for Fort Drum approved trapping activities.
- *f.* Snowmobiles and other motorized vehicles are prohibited in environmental or archeological sensitive areas. See paragraph 7(c) for more information.

9. WEAPONS AND SAFETY REGULATIONS

- a. It is unlawful to consume alcohol or other drugs, or be under the influence of the same, while actively engaged in hunting with a weapon.
- b. No person shall discharge a firearm or long bow within 500 feet of a dwelling, house, school building, school playground, occupied factory, church, farm building, or farm structures actually occupied or used.
- c. No person shall discharge a firearm or longbow so that the load or arrow shall pass over any part of a public highway. A public highway is defined as any road maintained by a state, county or town. In addition, a public highway on Fort Drum includes any road classified as hard surface, improved or unimproved according to the legend in Appendix F, Fort Drum Military Installation Map.
- d. All firearms (except pistols and revolvers in accordance with paragraph 9(e)) transported in a vehicle must be unloaded and cased, or unloaded and in the closed trunk of a motor vehicle. An unloaded firearm is a firearm without ammunition in the chamber

and/or magazine, if the magazine is in the firearm. A muzzleloader is considered unloaded if the percussion cap is removed from the firearm. A cased firearm is a firearm in a gun case expressly made to contain a firearm, when the case fully encloses the firearm by being zipped, snapped, buckled, tied, or otherwise fastened, with no portion of the firearm exposed.

- e. Carrying a pistol or revolver is permitted when the person is in possession of a New York State pistol permit, and in compliance with the requirements of 10th Mountain Division (LI) and Fort Drum Regulation 190-6.
- f. Target shooting in Fort Drum training areas is prohibited, except on designated ranges with prior approval from Range Division.
 - g. Possession of firearms in Archery Hunting Only areas is prohibited.
- *h.* No person shall possess a firearm, bow or other hunting implement while engaged in wood cutting practices.
- *i.* Blaze Orange. All recreationists in Fort Drum training areas during any hunting season (01 September 30 March 2003 and 01 May 31 May 2003), to include small game and Muzzleloading and Regular Big Game Hunting Seasons, are required to visibly display a minimum of 144 square inches of blaze orange on the front and back of their upper bodies, and also wear blaze orange headgear. Exceptions to this blaze orange requirement are waterfowl and spring season turkey hunters during their respective seasons and archery hunters during the Special Archery Season or while hunting in Archery Hunting Only Areas (including the cantonment area).
- *j.* Boats used on Fort Drum waters must be equipped with personal floatation devices and other safety equipment as required by State and Federal laws.

10. PENALTIES

- a. All evidence of unauthorized hunting, fishing, trapping or other forms of recreational activities to include but not be limited to suspected unlawfully killed or caught game or fish, unauthorized weapons, snares, traps, illegal fishing contraptions or devices, explosives, nets, or seines will be confiscated and may be released to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation with Report of Offense. A receipt of the confiscated items will be furnished to persons from whom the items are seized. Violations of this regulation or the Environmental Conservation Law of New York may result in prosecution under 10 U.S.C., 2671, N.Y. ECL Section 71-0919 or Section 71-0921. The Fort Drum Table of Administrative Actions can be found at Appendix B.
- b. Immediate suspension: Any person cited with a violation of any provision of the Environmental Conservation Laws of the State of New York, applicable Federal Laws, Army and Fort Drum Regulations, by New York State Conservation Officers, Federal Game Wardens or

Military Police shall immediately surrender his/her permit to the citing official.

11. BIG GAME HUNTING IN TRAINING AREA.

- a. Hunting on Fort Drum will be in accordance with Environmental Conservation Laws of New York, applicable federal laws, and Fort Drum regulations. Big game hunting seasons on Fort Drum coincide with Northern Zone seasons in New York State. Fort Drum is Wildlife Management Unit 6H.
- *b.* Big Game hunting hours are sunrise to sunset. A table of sunrise and sunset times for Fort Drum may be found at Appendix D.
- c. During the Muzzleloading and Regular Big Game Season all recreationists including deer/bear hunters are required to visibly display a minimum of 144 square inches of blaze orange on the front and back of their upper bodies, and also wear blaze orange headgear. Exceptions to this blaze orange requirement are archery hunters during the Special Archery Season or while hunting in Archery Hunting Only Areas (and waterfowl and spring season turkey hunters during their respective seasons).
- d. Immediately upon taking a deer, the month and day must be cut out of the margin of the deer carcass tag. Big game carcass and report tags must be detached and completed with indelible ink after taking a deer or bear. The animal need not be tagged while it is being dragged from the place of kill to where transportation is available. Tags shall remain attached to the carcass until it is prepared for consumption.
- e. Hunters must make every effort to trail and recover wounded deer/bear. Hunters may not, however, violate the hour after sunset restriction because of wounded game. Hunters should mark the spot they last saw sign and request assistance from Range Division (772-7152) and/or the Military Police (772-5156/5157). The tracking of wounded game into closed hunting areas requires the hunter to contact Range Division and the Military Police. If wounded game goes off of Fort Drum, it is the responsibility of the hunter to obtain permission from the private landowner to enter the privately owned land.
- f. Portable tree stands may be used on Fort Drum. Hunters are not allowed to construct or hunt from permanent tree stands. Portable treestands may be left overnight, but Fort Drum is not responsible for any lost, stolen or damaged stands. Placing a treestand in an area does not guarantee or reserve that site for the hunter. Hunting from range towers/structures is prohibited.
- g. Training areas 4A, 4B, 4D, 5A, 5D, 6B and 6C, reference Appendix F, Fort Drum Recreational Use Map (Appendix E), are open for **archery hunting only**. Archery only areas on Fort Drum are not open during muzzleloading only seasons in WMU 6H.
- h. All archers hunting on Fort Drum are required to qualify at an Archery Qualification
 Session. Archers fulfilling qualification requirements will be issued a Fort Drum Archery
 Qualification Card. The archer will have the Archery Qualification Card in his or her possession

at all times while bowhunting on Fort Drum. To qualify, all archers must shoot three out of five arrows equipped with broadheads in the vital area of life-size three dimensional deer targets. Targets will be placed at unknown distances between 0-25 yards with 10, 20, and 30 yard markers present. Only one qualifying shot will be allowed at each target. Archers hunting in the training area may qualify from the ground or in an elevated structure. Archers failing to qualify on the first attempt may try again, but only at a later qualifying session. No practicing will be allowed at the qualification site. The Archery Qualification Card expires September 1 of each calendar year, thus requiring archers to qualify every year. For more information about archery qualifying, see the Fort Drum Archery Qualification Fact Sheet available at the Natural Resources Permit Office (S-2509), Outdoor Recreation Center (Bldg. P-11115) or the Fish and Wildlife Management Program Office (Bldg. 4848).

i. Hunters in the training areas **may** have their harvested deer or bear weighed and aged at the Fort Drum Big Game Check Station during the week—check-in is **not** required. The check station is located at the Environmental Division (Bldg. T-4848) near Range Division, and is open from 7:00am - 4:30pm Monday through Friday. The check station will not be open on weekends or federal holidays. Big game harvested when the check station is closed may be reported by calling (315) 772-4999, or may be brought in to have it weighed/aged, on the next business day during normal working hours.

j. Hunters possessing a valid New York State Non-Ambulatory Hunter Permit may hunt from a vehicle parked on recreational road designated on the Fort Drum Recreational Use Map (Appendix E) in such a manner to not obstruct traffic. The engine of the vehicle must be turned off while hunting and before the weapon is uncased. The use of an ATV is prohibited, but a motorized wheelchair is permitted. Archery hunters must also possess a valid New York State Handicapped Archer Permit or Modified Crossbow Permit to use modified bows per state regulations. An unmodified crossbow is prohibited for use on Fort Drum.

12. ARCHERY HUNTING IN CANTONMENT AREA.

- a. Only archery hunting is allowed in the area south of Route 26 within the Fort Drum cantonment area boundary. No other hunting implements may be possessed while hunting in the cantonment area. If not specifically stated below, all regulations for Fort Drum and NYS Department of Environmental Conservation apply.
- b. Deer, bear, and turkey may be hunted in the Cantonment area during their respective open seasons and in accordance with all other regulations set forth in this section.
- c. Cantonment Area scouting will be in accordance with paragraph 12(f). Areas 30-33 can be scouted on weekends, training holidays, and federal holidays only; areas 34-38 can be scouted daily. Check in/check out procedures are not required for scouting in the Cantonment Area.
- d. All archers are required to qualify prior to archery hunting in the Cantonment Area. Qualifying archers will be issued a Fort Drum Archery Qualification Card which must be in the archer's possession at all times while hunting on Fort Drum. To qualify, all archers must shoot

three out of five arrows equipped with broadheads in the vital area of life-size three dimensional deer targets. Targets will be placed at unknown distances between 0-25 yards with 10, 20, and 30 yard markers present. Only one qualifying shot will be allowed at each target. All archers hunting in the cantonment area must qualify from an elevated structure approximately 11 feet high. Archers failing to qualify on the first attempt may try again, but only at a later qualifying session. No practicing will be allowed at the qualification site. The Fort Drum Archery Qualification Card expires September 1 of each calendar year. Archers must requalify each year. For more information about archery qualifying, see the Fort Drum Archery Qualification Fact Sheet available at the Natural Resources Permit Office (S-2509), Outdoor Recreation Center (Bldg. P-11115) or the Fish and Wildlife Management Program Office (Bldg. 4848).

- e. Cantonment area archers are required to physically check in at Range Division, Bldg. P-4855, prior to entering the hunting areas. At the time of check in, archers will be required to show their Fort Drum Archery Qualification Card and sign into the hunting areas. Archers may sign in for more than one area. All cantonment area archers must check out at Range Division after leaving their hunting area. Failure to follow these procedures may result in suspension and/or revocation of hunting privileges.
- f. Archers may hunt in nine areas (Hunting Areas 30-38) in the Cantonment Area. See the Cantonment Archery Hunting Area Map (Appendix E inset), for hunting area locations. Hunting areas 30-33 may be hunted only on weekends, federal holidays, training holidays, and other times as designated; areas 34-38 are open for archery hunting any day of the week. Remington Park is not open for archery hunting. If hunting areas 30-33 are open during other designated times, these times will be posted at Range Division (Bldg. P-4855), the Natural Resources Permit Office (S-2509), Outdoor Recreation Center (Bldg. P-11115), and the Fish and Wildlife Management Program Office (Bldg. T-4848).
- g. All vehicles must be parked in designated parking areas on the shoulder of roads or trails to allow other vehicles to pass. Designated parking areas have signs posted.Recreational Access Passes must be displayed on the dashboard of all vehicles in clear sight with permit numbers facing up.
- h. All hunters are required to hunt from elevated treestands. No still-hunting, stalking or deer drives are allowed and arrows may not be nocked until archers are safely in their treestands. Safety belt use is required while in treestands. Treestands must be a minimum of ten feet off the ground and must be portable. Treestands may be left overnight, but Fort Drum is not responsible for any lost, stolen or damaged stands. Placing a treestand in an area does not guarantee or reserve that site for the hunter.
- *i.* No person shall discharge a long bow within 500 feet from a dwelling, house, school building, school playground, occupied factory, church, farm building, or farm structures actually occupied or used.
- *j.* No person shall discharge a long bow in such a way as will result in the arrow thereof passing over a public highway or any part thereof.
 - k. Hunters with wounded game that leave the designated Cantonment Archery Hunting Area

(Appendix E inset) must notify Fort Drum Law Enforcement Officials before tracking the animal. For assistance hunters may call the Provost Marshal's Office (PMO) at 772-5156 or stop by the PMO in Bldg. P-10715.

- *I.* Defacing, destroying or removing military property and climbing or hunting from range structures is strictly prohibited. Failure to comply may result in suspension of hunting privileges and will jeopardize future hunting in that area.
 - m. Archers hunting in the Cantonment Area are not required to wear Blaze Orange.
- n. Archers harvesting deer or bear within the Cantonment Area are required to bring their harvest to the Environmental Division (Bldg T-4848), located near Range Division, for weighing and aging. Hours of operation are from 7:00am 4:30pm Monday through Friday. The check station will not be open on weekends or federal holidays. Deer harvested when the check station is closed must be brought in on the next business day during normal working hours. If the meat is in danger of spoiling before it can be reported, the meat may be processed but the head must be brought in for aging.
- o. Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) permits allowing the harvest of additional antlerless deer are valid **only** within the cantonment area as a part of the Cantonment Area Archery Hunt. DMAP permits are available upon check-in at Range Division (Bldg. P-4855) on a "first come, first served" basis for one day use. If the DMAP permit is not filled that day, it **must** be returned to Range Division by the end of the day. There is no limit to the number of times a DMAP may be checked out at Range Division; however, archers may fill no more than two DMAP permits per license during the season. DMAP tags are available from October 1 through the end of the regular hunting season. Availability of DMAP permits is subject to New York State Department of Environmental Conservation authorization.

13. SMALL GAME HUNTING.

- a. Hunting of small game (including pheasants) on Fort Drum will be in accordance with Environmental Conservation Laws of New York, applicable federal laws, and Fort Drum regulations.
- b. Small game hunting is not permitted in the cantonment area, except for archery hunting for turkey.
- c. Small game hunters, with the exception of spring season turkey and waterfowl hunters, are required to visibly display a minimum of 144 square inches of blaze orange on the front and back of their upper body, and also wear blaze orange headgear.
- d. Shotguns used for hunting migratory birds (ducks, geese, coot, woodcock, snipe, etc.) must be plugged so as to be capable of holding no more than three shells. The plug must be a one-piece filler, inserted into the magazine tube, which cannot be removed without disassembling the gun.
- e. Only nontoxic (e.g., steel) shot must be used or possessed while hunting migratory waterfowl (ducks, coot and geese).
 - f. Legal hunting hours for most small game is sunrise to sunset. Hunting hours for the

spring wild turkey season are one-half hour before sunrise to noon.

- *g.* Migratory waterfowl legal hunting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset on Fort Drum.
- *h*. No person shall completely field dress migratory waterfowl and then transport the bird from the field. The head or one fully feathered wing must remain attached during transport from the field to one's home.
- *i.* No person shall possess more than one daily bag limit of any game while in the field or while returning from the field to one's vehicle or home, unless tagged according to State and Federal Regulations.
- *j.* No person shall kill or cripple any animal without making a reasonable effort to retrieve it.
 - k. Dogs may be used to hunt all small game except wild turkey during the spring season.
- *I.* Dogs may be trained on small game on Fort Drum from August 16 April 15, except for training on raccoon, fox, coyote and bobcat which is allowed from July 1 April 15. Dogs must remain under the control of the hunter or trainer at all times.
- *m.* The use of dogs on Fort Drum is the sole responsibility of the owner/handler. Fort Drum is not responsible for any injuries sustained by the dog while on Fort Drum.
- *n*. Any person who has a small game hunting license (or a fishing license or is entitled to fish without a license) may take frogs with a spear, club, hook, or by hand; a small game hunting license is required to take frogs with a gun or longbow. Frogs may be taken in any number from June 15 September 30 between sunrise and sunset.

14. FISHING AND BOATING.

- a. Fishing on Fort Drum will be in accordance with Environmental Conservation Laws of New York, applicable federal laws, and Fort Drum regulations.
- *b*. It is unlawful to consume alcohol or other drugs, or be under the influence of the same, while operating a boat.
- c. Recreational fishing is permitted on Fort Drum 24 hours a day. Recreationists engaged in nighttime fishing activities must check in and check out at Range Division (772-7152), Bldg. P-4855 in accordance with paragraph 5(c) to obtain a Fort Drum Nighttime Fishing/Overnight Camping Pass.
- d. A Joint Access Policy exists on Fort Drum to allow anglers the ability to utilize training areas when military training is occurring as long as angling activities do not interfere with military operations. When using the Joint Access Policy, anglers must check-in with Range Division telephonically (772-7152) or physically (Bldg. P-4855) to speak to Range Division personnel.
- e. All bodies of water on Fort Drum, except those in permanently restricted areas, will be open to fishing in accordance with New York State Fishing Laws, provided there is no interference with military training. See paragraph 7 for details of restricted areas.

- f. A Fort Drum Recreational Permit for fishing is required to fish Remington Pond; however, the Access Pass does not have to be displayed in the vehicle. No check in at Range Division is required for use of Remington Pond.
- *g.* Boating in Remington Pond is allowed only during the posted operating hours of Remington Park. Gasoline fueled motorized boats are not permitted on Remington Pond.
- h. Boats used on Fort Drum waters must be equipped with life preservers and other safety equipment as required by State and Federal laws. All boating must be conducted under the provision of New York State Navigational Laws.
- *i.* Ice fishing is permitted on all non-trout waters on Fort Drum (Indian Lake, Indian Pond and Mud Lake). Remington Pond is not open for ice fishing. Wherever ice fishing is permitted, no more than two hand lines and 5 tip-ups may be used.
- *j.* It is illegal while on the waters of Fort Drum to possess walleye, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, black crappie, or brook trout that have been cut, dismembered, filleted, skinned or otherwise altered so that the species and total length of such fish cannot be easily determined except that such fish may be gilled or gutted. Other species of fish may be filleted provided that the skin is not removed from the fillets.
- k. Open season for trout (brook, brown and rainbow trout) on Fort Drum is April 1 October15. There is no minimum size limit but the daily limit is 5 fish.
- *I.* The open season for largemouth and smallmouth bass is the third Saturday in June through November 30. Minimum length requirement is 12 inches with a daily limit of 5 fish. An exception to this length requirement is Black River and Indian River where the minimum length requirement is 10 inches and the daily limit is 5 fish.
- *m*. The open season for northern pike, pickerel and walleye is the first Saturday in May Through March 15. Minimum length requirement is 18 inches for northern pike and 15 inches for pickerel and walleye. The daily limit for all three species is 5 fish.
- *n.* Black crappie is open all season, but the minimum length requirement is 9 inches. The daily limit is 25 fish.
- o. Any person who has a fishing license or is entitled to fish without a license (or a small game hunting license) may take frogs with a spear, club, hook, or by hand; a small game hunting license is required to take frogs with a gun or longbow. Frogs may be taken in any number from June 15 September 30 between sunrise and sunset.
- p. <u>HEALTH ADVISORY</u>. Based on an evaluation of contaminant levels (mercury) in fish, a health advisory is in effect for all species of fish found in Indian Lake. It is recommended that persons eat no more that one meal (one-half pound) per month. In addition, women of childbearing age, infants and children under the age of 15 should not eat any of the fish species from Indian Lake.
- q. Subject to approval by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, there will be one free fishing day each year on the waters of Fort Drum. A Fort Drum Recreation Permit and Access Pass, and normal check in procedures, are still required to access the

training area. However, a Recreation Permit for any purpose will be valid for angling on the designated free fishing day.

15. TRAPPING.

- a. Trapping on Fort Drum will be in accordance with Environmental Conservation Laws of New York, applicable federal laws, and Fort Drum regulations.
- *b.* Recreational trapping is not permitted in the cantonment area. To control the furbearer populations in the cantonment area, Fort Drum will continue a Nuisance Trapping Program. Those interested in nuisance trapping for Fort Drum's Cantonment Program must contact the installation's Fish and Wildlife Management Program Office at (315) 772-9636.
- c. A Joint Access Policy exists on Fort Drum to allow trappers the ability to utilize training areas when military training is occurring as long as trapping activities do not interfere with military operations. When using the Joint Access Policy, trappers must check-in with Range Division telephonically (772-7152) or physically (Bldg. P-4855) to speak to Range Division personnel.
- d. Use of ATV's and snowmobiles is authorized for trapping purposes ONLY, except as stated in paragraph 8(e). Use and operation of ATV's and snowmobiles must be in accordance with the laws of NYS and pertinent Army Regulations.
- e. While engaged in trapping activities, only a .22 caliber rimfire pistol/rifle may be used or lawfully possessed, but **not** in training areas 4A, 4B, 4D, 5A, 5D, 6B and 6C.
 - f. Disposal of animal carcasses from the trapping season is prohibited on Fort Drum lands.
- g. Traps set for taking beaver, otter, mink, or muskrat, and traps set in water must be checked at least once in each 48-hour period. All traps set for other wildlife species on Fort Drum must be checked at least once in each 24-hour period. All wildlife held captive shall be immediately removed from the trap and if held alive and lawfully taken, may be killed in any lawful manner. A hunting license is not required to shoot a captured animal.
- *h*. It is illegal to disturb a beaver lodge or dam and place a trap within 15 feet of these structures, except during the open season for otter.
- *i.* It is unlawful to disturb muskrat houses or dens, or set a trap within five feet of a muskrat house.
- *j.* It is illegal to disturb another person's legally set trap, or remove a lawfully trapped animal from another person's trap, or possess an animal so removed without the owner's permission.

16. CAMPING.

a. Camping includes, but shall not be limited to, any form of temporary shelter such as a tent, motor home, travel trailer, mobile home or the use of any vehicle for shelter or sleeping. All

camping in the training areas is primitive and there are no designated campsites.

- *b.* Camping in the Fort Drum Cantonment Area is restricted to designated RV areas along Officers' Loop off of Nash Boulevard. Recreationists interested in using these RV sites should call Fort Drum Lodging, Bldg. T-2227, at 772-9683 for more information about reservations and charges. Recreationists using the RV Park are not required to check in or check out at Range Division or obtain a Fort Drum Nighttime Fishing/Overnight Camping Pass. Camping is not allowed at Remington Park.
- c. All recreationists camping in the training area are required to obtain an annual Fort Drum Recreational Permit and Access Pass from the Natural Resources Permit Office, Bldg. S-2509. See paragraph 4 for permit and access pass information.
- d. Overnight camping in the Fort Drum training areas is allowed year-round. Recreationists engaged in overnight camping must check in and check out at Range Division (772-7152), Bldg. P-4855 and obtain a Fort Drum Nighttime Fishing/Overnight Camping Pass in accordance with paragraph 5(c).
- e. No person shall discard, bury or dispose of any trash, waste or litter on Fort Drum. Trash receptacles are not provided so recreationists must carry out what they carry in. Camping areas should be returned to their original condition before departing.
- *f.* Portable latrines are not provided. Recreationists are responsible for providing their own portable latrines and must utilize them at all times. Campers are responsible for the proper disposal of human wastes.
- *g.* Cutting, digging up, removing, or defacing of trees, branches or any live vegetation, other than berries, for any purpose whatsoever, is prohibited.
- h. Bonfires are prohibited. Small fires for cooking and warming are allowed. No fire shall be lit until all combustible materials surrounding it have been removed to the extent necessary. No fire shall be left unattended.
- *i.* Vehicles must be parked off of roads/tank trails in such a manner as to allow other vehicles safe passage. Vehicles may not be parked in manner that will obstruct access to the Indian Lake boat launch. Unattended vehicles are the sole responsibility of the owner or user thereof. No claim against the United States Government or its officers, agents or employees shall accrue out of any loss, damage or theft of such vehicles or content thereof.
- *j.* Law enforcement officers will make periodic checks on overnight users of Fort Drum to assure their safety and to enforce all Fort Drum and NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Rules and Regulations. Failure to comply with above provisions may result in the suspension and/or revocation of Fort Drum recreational privileges and may jeopardize future camping opportunities on Fort Drum.

17. OTHER OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

a. Swimming and SCUBA diving are prohibited in all water areas within Fort Drum, except for Remington Pond, where swimming is permitted in accordance with the Standard Operating

Procedure (SOP) for Remington Pond Swim Area.

b. Capture of any raptor (e.g., hawk, falcon) on Fort Drum Military Reservation for falconry is prohibited. However, the use of raptors for falconry purposes on Fort Drum is permitted with the appropriate federal, state, and Fort Drum licenses and permits.

The proponent of this regulation is Public Works. Users are invited to send comments and suggested improvements on a DA Form 2028, (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms), through channels to Public Works, Environmental Division, 85 First Street West, Fort Drum, NY 13602-5097.

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APPENDIX A REFERENCES

- **A-1. RELATED PUBLICATIONS.** A related publication is an additional source of information. Users of this regulation do not have to read related publications to understand the contents of this regulation.
 - 16 USC 703-711, and 50 CFR, Part 20 (Migratory Bird Hunting), Migratory Bird Treaty Act.
 - 16 USC 718(A), Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Tax Act.
 - 16 USC 1538-1543, and 50 CFR 17 and 23, Endangered Species Act and Convention.
 - 16 USC, Section 670 et. seq. PL 86-797, Sikes Act.
 - 16 USC, Section 470ee, Archeological Resources Protection Act of 1979.
 - Public Law 97-79, Lacey Act Amendments of 1981.
- Title 6, Chapter 1, Part 55, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Codes, Rules and Regulations.
 - AR 210-9, Use of Off-Road Vehicles on Army Lands.
- 10th Mountain Division (LI) and Fort Drum Regulation 190-6, Control of Firearms, Ammunition and Other Dangerous Weapons.
- 10th Mountain Division (LI) and Fort Drum Supplement to AR 210-9, Use of Off-Road Vehicles on Army Land.

APPENDIX B FORT DRUM TABLE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

<u>OFFENSE</u>	1 ST VIOLATION	2 ND VIOLATION	3 RD VIOLATION
Taking of illegal game out of season and/or during the hours of darkness.	Citation. Loss of permit for a minimum of 1 year from date of adjudication.	Citation. Suspend and/or revoke recreational activities.	N/A
Trespass: In Temporary Restricted Area.	Citation. Loss of permit until case is adjudicated.	Citation. Loss of permit for a minimum of 1 year from date of adjudication.	Citation. Suspend and/or revoke recreational activities.
Trespass: In Permanent Restricted Area.	Citation. Loss of permit for a minimum of 1 year from date of adjudication.	Citation. Suspend and/or revoke recreational activities.	N/A
No Post Permit or transporting an uncased firearm.	Citation.	Citation. Loss of permit for a minimum of 1 year from date of adjudication.	Citation. Suspend and/or revoke recreational activities.
Possessing loaded firearm or longbow in Motor Vehicle.	Citation. Loss of permit for a minimum of 1 year from date of adjudication.	Citation. Suspend and/or revoke recreational activities.	N/A
Discharge of a firearm or longbow on or across a roadway.	Citation. Loss of permit for a minimum of 1 year from date of adjudication.	Citation. Suspend and/or revoke recreational activities.	N/A
Hunting while intoxicated, impaired, or under the influence of drugs.	Arrest/Cited. Loss of permit for a minimum of 1 year from date of adjudication.	Citation. Suspend and/or revoke recreational activities.	N/A
Other violations to Fort Drum Reg. 420-3, New York Conservation Law, New York Vehicle Traffic Law, New York Penal Law, (Violations &	Citation. Loss of permit until case is adjudicated.	Citation. Loss of permit for a minimum of 1 year from date of adjudication.	Citation. Suspend and/or revoke recreational activities.

Misdemeanors only).

APPENDIX C FORT DRUM PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE

PERMIT	SEASONAL RATE	DAILY RATE					
		1 Day	3 Day	<u>5 Day</u>			
Big Game Hunting	\$10.00	\$3.00	\$4.00	\$5.00			
Small Game Hunting	\$8.00	\$3.00	\$4.00	\$5.00			
Fishing	\$8.00	\$3.00	\$4.00	\$5.00			
Trapping	\$10.00	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Combined Permit I (BG & SG Hunting and Fishing)	\$22.00	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Combined Permit II (BG & SG Hunting, Fishing and Trapping)	\$30.00	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Other Recreational Activity	NO FEE						

APPENDIX D

SUNRISE AND SUNSET TABLE FOR FORT DRUM, NEW YORK (Data from U. S. Naval Observatory for E075 14, N44 07; 5th East of Greenwich.)

	OCT 2003		NOV 2003		DEC 2003		JAN 2004		FEB 2004		MAR 2004		APR 2004		MAY 2004		JUN 2004		JUL 2004		AUG 2004		SEP 2004	
Day	Rise	Set																						
1													0601											
2													0600											
3													0600											
4	0546																		0601					
5	0545	1752	0540	1747	0547	1754	0601	1809	0610	1817	0608	1815	0559	1806	0553	1800	0555	1802	0601	1808	0603	1809	0555	1802
6	0545	1752	0540	1747	0547	1755	0602	1809	0611	1818	0608	1814	0559	1806	0553	1800	0555	1802	0601	1808	0602	1809	0555	1801
7	0545	1751	0540	1747	0548	1755	0602	1810	0611	1818	0608	1814	0559	1805	0553	1800	0555	1803	0601	1809	0602	1809	0555	1801
8	0544	1751	0540	1747	0548	1755	0603	1810	0611	1818	0607	1814	0558	1805	0553	1800	0555	1803	0601	1809	0602	1809	0554	1801
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17	0542	1749	0541	1748	0552	1800	0606	1814	0611	1817	0605	1812	0556	1803	0553	1800	0557	1805	0603	1810	0601	1807	0551	1758
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ADD ONE HOUR FOR DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME WHEN IN USE.

APPENDIX E FORT DRUM 2003-2004 RECREATIONAL USE MAP

(Separate Enclosure)
(Copies are available from Public Works/Environmental Division)